

The Examiner has set forth a restriction requirement with regard to claims 1-20. The grouping of claims is set forth as follows:

<u>GROUP</u>	<u>CLAIMS</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>
I	1-10	Class 165, subclass 151
II	11-20	Class 29, subclass 890.03

In order to be responsive to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement, Applicant has elected claims 1-10 for initial examination. However, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider his restriction requirement since no serious burden would be presented to the Examiner by examining all of the claims in a single application.

As set forth in section 803 of the MPEP, the Examiner must examine an application on the merits if the examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden. Two criteria are identified for proper requirement for restriction

1. The inventions must be independent or distinct as claimed; and
2. There must be a serious burden on the Examiner if the restriction is not required.

Applicant respectfully submits that a serious burden has not been placed on the Examiner to consider all of the claims in a single application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider all of the claims in the present application and to withdraw the restriction requirement.

In order to be responsive to the Examiner's restriction requirement, claims 1-10 have been elected with traverse. Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to the non-elected claims at a later date if they so desire.

With regard to the election of species requirement, Applicant has elected Fig. 5 for initial Examination. As noted above, claims 1-10 are all readable upon the embodiment of Fig. 5. Accordingly, examination of claims 1-10 is respectfully requested.

Favorable action on the present application is earnestly solicited.

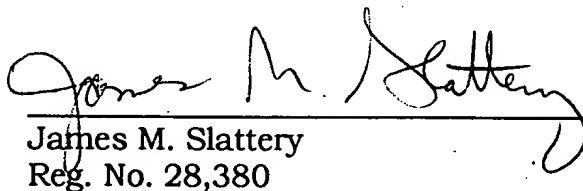
In the event there are any outstanding matters remaining in this application the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area to discuss these matters.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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